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8 *Ex parte* ROBERT L. DEMCHICK
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11 Appeal 2008-1406
12 Application 10/628,891
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16 Decided: July 31, 2008
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19 *Before* MURRIEL E. CRAWFORD, HUBERT C. LORIN, and MICHAEL
20 W. O'NEILL, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

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22 CRAWFORD, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

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25 DECISION ON APPEAL
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27 STATEMENT OF CASE

28 Appellant appeals under 35 U.S.C. § 134 (2002) from a final rejection
29 of claims 18 to 28. We have jurisdiction under 35 U.S.C. § 6(b) (2002).

30 Appellant invented a recreational vehicle equipped with an exterior
31 water outlet for potable water (Specification 1, 12).

1 Claim 18 under appeal reads as follows:

2 18. A recreational vehicle equipped with a
3 plumbing system comprising, in communication
4 with each other,
5 a city water inlet for potable water on the port side
6 of said recreational vehicle,
7 a storage tank for potable water, and
8 an outlet for potable water which is attached on the
9 exterior of said recreational vehicle on the
10 starboard side of said recreational vehicle.
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12 The Examiner rejected claims 18 to 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as
13 being unpatentable over Reid in view of Eisner.

14 The prior art relied upon by the Examiner in rejecting the claims on
15 appeal is:

16	Eisner	US 2,837,109	Jun. 3, 1958
17	Reid	US 3,594,825	Jul. 27, 1971

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19 Appellant contends that neither Reid nor Eisner discloses a
20 recreational vehicle equipped with an outlet for potable water attached on
21 the exterior of the recreational vehicle on the starboard side of the
22 recreational vehicle.

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24 ANALYSIS

25 We agree with the Appellant that neither Reid nor Eisner discloses or
26 suggests a recreational vehicle equipped with an outlet for potable water
27 attached on the exterior of the recreational vehicle on the starboard side of
28 the recreational vehicle.

29 In this regard, we find that Reid discloses a recreational vehicle
30 having an inlet 18 that delivers water to a sink D, shower C, collecting tank
31 G, and toilet E (Figure 3, col. 2, l. 73 to col. 3, l. 18). Water from the toilet

1 is supplied to a septic holding tank H and may be discarded through a drain
2 outlet 52 (col. 3, l. 24 to 32; ll. 58 to 60). Reid does not disclose or suggest
3 an outlet for potable water attached on the exterior of the recreational
4 vehicle on the starboard side of the recreational vehicle.

5 We find that Eisner discloses a waterproofing material pumping
6 apparatus that includes a water inlet 28 and a mixture outlet 27 (Figure 1;
7 col. 2, ll. 21 to 26, 43 to 48). Eisner does not disclose, nor does Eisner
8 suggest, an outlet for potable water. In addition, we agree with the
9 Appellant that the outlet 27 is disposed on the back side of the vehicle rather
10 than the starboard side as required by claim 18.

11 As neither Reid nor Eisner disclose or suggest an outlet for potable
12 water disposed on the starboard side of the recreational vehicle, we will not
13 sustain the Examiner's rejection of claim 18 or claims 19 to 28 which
14 dependent thereon.

15 The decision of the Examiner is reversed.

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17 REVERSED

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